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GEN. CUSTER'S LAST BATTLE.

One Story Why He Made the Reckless Dash in 1876.

Smarting Under a Rebuff From President Grant for Shooting Down a Deserter, He Hoped to Wipe Out the Stain by a Last Throw.

From the Washington Post.

"It is a fact not very widely known," said a retired army officer the other day, "that no less an officer than Gen. Custer came to his death through the desertion from his ranks of a common soldier. You won't hear of this story from the officers now holding a commission in the army and when I've told you the story you will understand why it isn't spoken of to the reporters."

"Custer was a born cavalry leader. His reputation was made by dashing, daring devil attacks, such as marked the close of his career. In other respects he was not a great soldier. He died fighting and one is to remember in judging him that he lived in ruder times than ours. Custer was one of the men of the plains of that earlier day when the Indian's scalping knife had frequent need of sharpening, and a white rascal sometimes found the wages of sin to be a rope, a tree limb, and five minutes to pray. The general's failings were closely related to his genius for the dashing fight. He was apt to take close chances."

"It was in 1876, several months before the battle of Little Big Horn, and Custer was out with his cavalry chasing the Indians over the plains. They were seeing a hard life and the Indians, as you will remember, were in constant rebellion about that time. Custer and his men were hot on the trail of a band of savages, when one night a man was found to be missing. For a while all were puzzled to account for his disappearance. The scouts, however, found his tracks and followed far enough to assure them that the soldier had left voluntarily and with the purpose of deserting. Custer and his brother Tom were furious at this desertion at the moment when they were hoping to catch up with and punish the enemy."

"On the morning following the discovery they followed the deserter's tracks a little farther; then they turned back and resumed the pursuit of the Indians. It was late that afternoon when a scout discerned the figure of a solitary horseman riding toward the little troop. Soon Custer and several other officers had their glasses leveled on this man. He turned his horse a bit to one side as though to ride around the soldiers. Suddenly one of the watchers saw a cloud of dust beyond the rider and soon they knew they had come up with a party of Indians and that the savages were in pursuit of the man on horseback. The soldiers made signals and shouted to the pursued man, and he, seeming to despair of escaping the Indians without aid, turned and rode toward the troop."

"As he came nearer, the Indians still in pursuit, the officers holding glasses exchanged inquiring looks. The man wore the blue uniform of their country and rode like a trooper. The Indians were plainly following now out of their pure dare-devil spirit. The man rode more slowly. Custer and his brother Tom rode out together ahead of the troop to meet him. Suddenly they put their field glasses down and looked each other in the eyes and nodded, and spurred forward. They drew up together when close upon the man. The general's voice rang out so that all his troop heard:

"It's that d—n deserter," he cried. Then both Custers raised their revolvers and shot the man dead.

"That was the Custer temper. It brought the general trouble enough, for such a summary method of dealing with a deserter made a scandal that spread all over the country. Custer was severely censured. He came east and tried to regain his position of favor. Sheridan was a staunch friend of his and worked for him, but the president—Grant—was so affected by the story of the shooting that he refused to see Custer when the latter presented himself at the white house."

"Gen. Custer returned to the plains. Sheridan was commanding officer over that territory, and Sheridan was his friend. In Custer's mind there was but one thought—how to regain favor. He could think of but one answer. He must win again, as he had often won before, the admiration of all men in a dashing charge and a gallant fight."

"It was not long before Custer's opportunity came to him. The battle of the Little Horn was a desperate venture and cost many lives. He died fighting. When one considers that at that time Gen. Custer was burdened under the sting of disgrace and knew he must do something big to regain the favor of Grant, and, in fact, of the entire army, it may throw a light on his reason in choosing to risk that last throw."

Men's odd pants, the biggest line in western Kansas. Good values at \$1 to \$5 per pair at Millisack's.

Standard patterns are the best. The late spring styles are in, over 1,500 styles to select from at Millisack's.

MEMORY'S PHOTOGRAPHS.

Look Pleasant, for Snap Shots of You are Being Put Into the Big Album Every Day of Your Life.

"The photographer," says Ed Hoch, "adjusts his camera so as to focus its rays to the best advantage upon his subject, sees that your pose is just right, gets ready for the final flash, and says, 'Look pleasant, please.' You try your best to obey, because you know that the instrument will make an exact reproduction of your facial expression at the time, and you want a picture you will be proud to preserve, and one you will not be ashamed to present as a souvenir, to a friend. But did it never occur to you that you are being photographed every day more perfectly than any human artist can do it, and that you are leaving these pictures in the perpetual possession of those friends you are so anxious to please? And did you never reflect that not only your friends but also all with whom you come in contact are hanging on the walls of their memory 'snap shots' of you in your daily life? How would you like to be ushered into some of these galleries of memory and there behold your photograph with that contemptuous curl of the lip, or that miserable snarl of countenance, or that scowl of anger, or that face of shame? Of little relative importance are those perishable pastboard photographs compared to these hanging on the walls of immortal memory! We've been thinking that in rosy sunrise and golden sunset, babbling brook and rollicking rivulet, in glimmering prairie and majestic mountain, in lonely landscape 'canopied with golden clouds,' in song of bird and bloom of flower, in all his handiwork as well as in his book of books, the great Artist, as he adjusts his unerring camera and proceeds to photograph his creatures upon the imperishable tablets of immortal memory, is saying through all these works and words—'Look pleasant, please.'"

A Disreputable and Dangerous Traffic. In all intelligent communities the danger from the alum baking powder is fully recognized and appreciated. No housewife who is informed upon physiological subjects will knowingly permit one of these dangerous articles to come in contact with her food.

The harmfulness of alum powders is mostly exerted among those that do not read, who are deceived by the stories of peddlers and others interested in the sale of the inferior articles, and these are the people who can least afford to use unhealthful food.

The health authorities, however, are waking up to the seriousness of the situation. Already many arrests have been made of the vendors of alum baking powders. When by convictions and heavy penalties the sale of these powders is made both disreputable and expensive, it will be a blessing to the public.

TOLD IN A LINE.

It is necessary when sending out invitations for a dance at Colby to add that "good order will be maintained."

The system that Mr. Schwab played at Monte Carlo suggests an easy plan by which Mr. Carnegie could get rid of his wealth.

There are 170 liquor cases pending in the Topeka courts, and the conviction is becoming settled that the costs in all of them will be saddled upon the city.

Cheyenne county is trying for a stock law. A petition signed by two-thirds of the residents of that county have asked for all stock to be prevented from running at large.

In order to escape going to jail a New Jersey man married a woman from whom he stole. A woman sometimes strikes on a fine way of making the punishment fit the crime.

The Atchison Globe is printing hints on etiquette from the Brakenheim Home Journal. Here is one of them: "If a guest takes a lady to a ball it is proper, about 11 o'clock, for him to couple up with her, switch her down to a restaurant and coal her up with an oyster stew."

Mrs. Walkup Ketchum is a New Orleans woman who has two dead husbands. They both left her a fortune. The next thing we know, relates the St. Joseph News, she will find some bachelor millionaire by the name of Holdem, and then it will be Walkup-Ketchum & Holdem.

Here is a terrible story that is going the rounds: A young lady went into a drug store to get a bath sponge. When the good looking clerk with his best smile in action advanced to inquire what she wanted, she asked for a sponge bath. As soon as the clerk came out of the trance into which he fell he gave her what she wanted, not what she asked for.

T. B. Murdoch says in the Wichita Eagle: "The liveliest spot in Kansas for 20 minutes each day is in a pasture up in Wabunsee county, a pasture with a break of a red restaurant, a string of houses near. The pastoral calm of this place is profound until about 1:30 p. m. Then within three minutes six Rock Island trains come tumbling down into the place. Several hundred people roll out of the coaches and break for the restaurant. Engines snort and push. Railroad men rush about and yell. Immigrants in homespun and millionaires bound for the Pacific coast promenade. At the end of 40 minutes the last train wiggles out of sight, and McFarland drops back into the quiet where the deer bark their answers successfully a mile and a half."

DEATH COMES TO OLD AGE.

R. T. Beckett, Who Lived Alone for 19 Years on a Farm Near the Smoky, Succumbs to Cancer of the Stomach.

The hermitage of R. T. Beckett ended last Friday morning, when he passed away at the home of A. N. Farley in Goodland, where he was taken when the disease that caused his death had nearly finished its work of destruction.

R. T. Beckett came to Sherman county in 1886 and settled on a quarter of land in Iowa township, where he lived in solitude until about two weeks ago when cancer of the stomach reduced the old man to helplessness. He was born in 1830 in Indiana and was never married. Mr. Beckett was by no means dependent financially, although he lived and dressed frugally.

During the civil war he was a government contractor for the purchase of cavalry horses and acquired considerable money. He had little faith in banks and several years ago lost \$1,500 that he had secreted in a corn crib, which took fire and burned while the old man was in Goodland.

Mr. Beckett was a gardener and each year raised watermelons and vegetables which he peddled about the city. Along about January 1 he was obliged to seek medical aid, but the disease had made such headway that little relief could be given. Growing worse, he was removed to Goodland that he might have better care. A sister, Mrs. Laura Hickey, of Vincennes, Ind., arrived here only the day before he died. Mr. Beckett also had a brother living at Vincennes, who is said to be quite wealthy.

The funeral was held from the Christian church Saturday, and interment made in the Goodland cemetery.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Wizard. See B. F. Brown for insurance. Millisack's for everything—1902.

The "Walk Over" shoes at Millisack's for everything throughout 1902.

Buy your coal of Wheatley at Scott's old stand.

Eighteen pounds granulated sugar for \$1 at Millisack's.

Things hum lively around the Wizard's grocery department.

H. F. Wheatley keeps all kinds of coal at Scott's old stand.

School and county warrants wanted for cash or trade—Millisack.

Go to Millisack's for any kind or style of work and dress gloves.

Lennox, Canon City and hard coal at the Scott yard. H. F. Wheatley.

Go and see the Wizard first for what you want. You will find it there.

For sale or lease, Smith Bros. Loan & Trust Co. lands—Thos. P. Leonard.

Nebraska Loan & Trust Co. lands for sale or lease—Thos. P. Leonard, Agent.

Millisack's clothing department is now being replenished with new spring suits.

Our new line of men's neckwear is now in—a beautiful line—C. M. Millisack.

For Sale—Black frock coat and vest at Warriner's tailor shop; will trade for food.

The Wizard is looking after the grocery department. Come and see how he does it.

Call at Harvey's for your cigars—after a test they are the best.—The Enterprise Store.

Bring your price lists to Millisack's grocery department and compare goods and prices.

Call up The Republic, 'phone No. 5, when you have any news item that would be of interest.

The Wizard's grocery department is your savings bank, the continuous small savings accruing daily.

I have for sale or lease the McKinley & Lanning and the Equitable Land Co. lands—Thos. P. Leonard.

Millisack's clothing department will this year interest you more than ever. Call at any time and look through.

Having moved in the photograph building will do all kinds of sewing at home or go out by the day.—Mrs. Lucy Blodgett.

Call at Harvey's and see the beautiful preserves given away with tea, coffee and baking powder. Also extracts and spices in stock.

Taken Up—Saturday, February 15, light gray pony mare about nine or ten years old. Owner can have same by paying for this notice and calling on Henry Friebe, Section 10-9-33.

To Hear Nordica sing Telephone. When Lillian Nordica sings in Wichita in March, not only those in the Auditorium will hear her but the Auditorium will be connected by long distance telephone with a number of surrounding towns. These 'phones will be run into large halls, a certain number of ear tubes rented out at 50 cents for the entire programme, and while the famous singer is entertaining a large audience in the Auditorium, she will also be singing to a dozen different towns in southern Kansas.

Free Postal Delivery. The free delivery postal system is only 35 years old, having been inaugurated in 1867 under Postmaster General Montgomery Blair, of Maryland, with 665 letter carriers, distributed among 45 of the principal cities, and 60 offices. There are now 666 offices and 14,349 carriers.

Men's "Walk Over" shoes at Millisack's.

PERSONAL NOTES.

O. W. Goodwin, of Salina, was in town Tuesday.

S. C. Sunday, of Seward, Neb., was in town this week.

Pat Cullins was a visitor at Burlington, Col., Sunday.

William Parker, of Glasgow, Mo., was in Goodland this week.

J. W. Prime, of Norton, was a Goodland visitor this week.

A dance was given at the Hotel Ingersoll last Friday night.

Mrs. W. R. Morton is very sick at her home at the Depot hotel.

A. T. Wilson, a Colby attorney, was in Goodland Wednesday.

Mrs. Pauline Hartman has been quite sick the past week.

A daughter was born Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Teeters.

A daughter was born yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. William Fawcett.

E. H. Blenhoff left Wednesday night for Golden, Ill., to visit with his folks.

Miss Louise Floyd is acting temporarily book-keeper in Dawson Brothers store.

Fred Dawson returned Wednesday morning from a business trip to Oklahoma.

G. L. Calvert was at Colby Tuesday on business before the United States land office.

Miss Mary Seaman has gone to St. Louis to purchase a spring stock of millinery for her store.

James N. Pike, of Colby, member of the state board of railroad commissioners, was in town Monday.

Mrs. E. E. Donly was called to Jennings, Kansas, Saturday by the death of her sister, Mrs. Hattie Goodrich.

Mrs. R. A. Kent has been absent about two weeks visiting her sister, Mrs. Josephine Bowen, at Onaga, Kan.

Crist Meintz will leave Monday for Nevada, Mo., where he has traded for a farm and where he will make his home.

Lafe Fender, of Lamonia, Ia., where he is engaged in the confectionery business, is here for a visit with his parents.

Frank Dawson returned Wednesday morning from St. Joseph, Mo., where he went to purchase goods for the Dawson store.

Olffe Bruner, a young farmer living east of town, will leave this week for Clay county, Neb., where he will engage in farming.

Robert Lenon has sold his residence property to John Chambers. Mr. Lenon will move to Topeka where he will make his home.

Mrs. M. E. Smith left for her home in Lewiston, Ill., Tuesday after several weeks' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cullins.

Miss Myra Crossen, who has been employed as cashier in the Millisack store, has resigned and returned to her home in Concordia.

Mrs. E. J. Denney, of Goodland, wife of Conductor Denney, was a guest of Mrs. Louis Herzog, Thursday.—Phillipsburg Dispatch.

The mayor of Goodland has declared war on the joints and slot machines and as a result the slot machines have been suspended.—Oakley Graphic.

A L. Dunbar received a telegram Monday announcing the death of a brother in Illinois. Mr. Dunbar left the same evening to attend the funeral.

George Webb, of Lincoln, Neb., formerly a barber of Goodland, was in town this week. He is on the road for the J. M. Garrett barber supply house, of Lincoln.

G. G. Guthrie, of Norton, was in town this week. Mr. Guthrie was here to look after live stock interests. He has several hundred cattle on the range in this county.

The painting by Mrs. J. R. Morris, "American Beauties," was raffled off at the Ennis drug store Tuesday night. No. 50, held by Earl White, carried off the elegant picture.

L. S. Hargraves was here yesterday from Pueblo. He is working for the Rio Grande at that place in the car repairs' department and expects soon to get a position as locomotive fireman with that road.

Jim Robertson, of Sherman county, was visiting with relatives and old time friends in Atwood Tuesday. Jim is among the first settlers of Rawlins county and has many friends who are always pleased to welcome him.—Atwood Patriot.

C. Sanderfeld, living southeast of town, arrived yesterday from Beatrice, Neb. Mr. Sanderfeld went to Beatrice about a week ago and returned with a bride. The lady is a sister of Fred Meintz. A brother of Mr. Meintz, also from near Beatrice, arrived yesterday and will locate in Spokyo township.

We understand that sometime ago three wagon loads of Jamaica ginger started from Goodland, Kan., but by the time it reached Burlington and was stored in the cellar of the brick, there was but two loads left. We suppose the robbers must have used the missing load to dip their cattle as a dip in Jamaica ginger in cold weather would probably not prove so disastrous as a dip in the regular mange cure.—Burlington (Col.) Republican.

An International Stamped Envelope. Paris.—The French postmaster general is studying an important reform. It is the introduction of a stamped envelope for international use.

At present a person in Paris writing abroad can only inclose French stamps for a reply, which is useless. To send a postoffice order for five cents is rather ridiculous.

The postmaster general is now negotiating with his foreign colleagues.

Dinnitt-Fletcher. Miss Laura E. Fletcher and Fred Dinnitt, both well known young people living near Ralston, were married in Goodland last Saturday. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Ed Stevens.

RAILROAD SPIKES.

Passenger Conductor William High spent Wednesday in Goodland.

Robert Zerweck, a machinist, returned Saturday from a visit in Iowa.

Conductor W. Stephens has been called away by illness of a relative.

The monthly payroll for the Rock Island employees at this place occurred Monday.

Engine 946 is in the shops for general overhaul. The engine is from the Denver ran.

Conductor Ed Young, who has been on passenger in Conductor Fuller's place, is on his car again.

From six to eight cars of potatoes pass through every day from Colorado points en route to Oklahoma.

Fireman J. W. Kelly has been assigned to the Roswell-Pueblo run, relinquishing by Fireman Oakford.

Another train crew has been put on between Roswell and Pueblo. Conductor "Texas" Stevens is in charge.

The pile driver work train Sunday here. They have been working near Limon but are now at Smith Center.

Engineer Sam Crooks, of the Roswell-Pueblo run, has been off duty a couple of weeks on account of illness.

D. W. Mayvitt is a new boiler-maker in the shop who went to work Monday. He came here from the Rio Grande shops in Denver.

Brakeman Meek has gone to work after two weeks' layoff on account of a sprained arm from falling off an engine at Limon.

L. W. Brewer, for many years station agent for the Rock Island at Dresden, died there Friday of pneumonia after a short illness.

Brakeman Charles McClaren has returned from several weeks' vacation in Missouri. He is at present laid up with the mumps.

W. A. Young, chief train dispatcher, left Friday for Minneapolis, Minn., to attend the marriage of his daughter, Miss Mattie Young.

W. C. Cullip has a new Yose piano, purchased of J. W. Jenkins Sons Music company, of Kansas City, through their local agent, Mrs. A. D. Stewart.

Fireman W. D. Oakford, who has been on the Pueblo run for several months, is again running out of Goodland and has moved his family here.

Dave Pringle, formerly an engineer of the Rock Island of this city but now with the Missouri Pacific at Pueblo, was here this week on a business mission.

There is a vacancy on local between Goodland and Phillipsburg for a brakeman, caused by Brakeman Briggs accepting the run between Roswell and Pueblo.

It is rumored that there will be two 1400 class engines on the Nos. 5 and 6 runs east of Goodland. It is expected that these engines will make the time on these runs under all conditions.

Engine 907, of the east end passenger service, is on the Denver run in the place of the 946 which is in the Goodland shops for repairs. The 911 in the meantime is doing double duty on the east end.

Frank Fuller, an engineer of the Rock Island of Fairbury, died at that place last Friday morning of spinal trouble after a long illness. He is a brother of George Fuller, an engineer of Goodland, who was with him when the end came.

Roadmaster Lane expects soon to begin laying the 80-pound steel rails from Dresden to Goodland. The new rails were laid from Phillipsburg to Dresden last year. This is in anticipation of the heavier power to be used on this division.

It is rumored that the Union Pacific will put on a fast mail between Kansas City and Denver. It is understood that it will be a race between the Rock Island and the Union Pacific as to which will reach Denver first.

The Union Pacific has the advantage in the race as it not only has the shortest line but the Rock Island runs over its tracks from Kansas City to Topeka and from Limon to Denver.

The Rock Island has issued an order that hereafter all new engines that are taken on the road "dead" shall have their driving rods coupled. Several unaccountable accidents lately are attributed to taking the big hog engines out on the road uncoupled, as they rock over on one side and throw the weight on one pair of drivers and crack or so severely injure the rails that they give entirely away under the weight of the next train, which is thrown into the ditch. The coupling of the drivers, it is believed, will prevent these accidents.

How to Produce a Bacon Hog. The Garden City Imprint, a truthful journal, tells how a Finney county farmer produced a good bacon hog: "He took an old sow, put her in a close pen, feeding her all the alfalfa she could eat, and the next day giving her nothing but water. In six weeks he killed the sow and the sides measured four inches in thickness, being interspersed with 42 streaks of alternating fat and lean, representing the fast and feast days."

The Punishment for Liars. In Esquire Roberts' court in Fulton, Ky., recently, a boy was put on the witness stand, and to ascertain if he knew the nature of an oath the justice interviewed him as follows: "Do you know the nature of an oath?" "Don't know whether I do or not." "Well, if you should tell a lie, do you know where you would go when you die?" "Yes, sir."

"Where?" "Well, when we moved out here pap said if any of us lied he would take us back to Arkansas, and I reckon he'll be as good as his word."

William H. Mals lands for sale or lease.—Thos. P. Leonard, Agent.

Men's hats in the latest spring styles are now in at Millisack's.

LAST SPIKE DRIVEN.

Rock Island Short Line to El Paso Completed—Train Service to Be Inaugurated March 2.

Official announcement of the completion of the Rock Island short line between Chicago, Kansas City and El Paso, Tex., has been received. Train service will be inaugurated on March 2.

The opening of this new line to El Paso marks an important epoch in the history of the Great Rock Island route as well as in the development of the great southwest territory of the United States.

Primarily the completion of this new line to El Paso heralds the operation of the "short line route" between eastern gateways and the as yet practically unopened territory to the south and southwest. At the same time it opens up a new and powerful trans-continental line to the Pacific coast. Not only does the Rock Island extension to El Paso secure for that road the "short line route" between the east and the south and southwest, but also the "low altitude route," as the country through which it passes is of extremely low altitude and the maximum grade of the road is less than one per cent.

The construction of this new extension has been carried on in the latest and most practical manner. Improved and powerful machinery, both for road-way construction and track laying, has been employed and the completion of the work, commenced only a short time ago, has been perfected in the shortest time consistent with safety. The track is laid with 80 pound steel rails and stone and steel bridges have been constructed in place of the much used wooden structures. The line is built strong and substantial, that it will be a monument to good railroad construction as well as being capable to withstand the wear and tear incident to the heavy traffic which will necessarily accrue to this "short line route."

With the inauguration of train service between Kansas City and El Paso, the usual first-class equipment of the Rock Island road will be installed. An entirely new supply of chair cars, day coaches and Pullman sleepers has been ordered for this line and will be strictly up to date in every particular. Late appliances for safety and convenience will be used. The Pullman sleepers will be marveled at beauty. The entire train will be full vestibuled. Dining cars will be part of the equipment of the trains and meals served "a la carte," patrons paying only for what they order.

The new line to El Paso is an extension of the Liberal branch of the Rock Island and runs in an almost straight line from Liberal, in the southwest corner of Kansas to El Paso, Tex., through the White Oaks country. The scenery along the route is beautiful and the resources of the country through which the line passes are all that could be desired. The climate of the country is extremely healthful and pleasant, in fact it is the recognized health zone of the United States.

The distance between Chicago and El Paso via the Rock Island is 1,464 miles, while by the other shortest route it is 1,579 miles. The distance between Kansas City and El Paso via the Rock Island is 947 miles, while by the other shortest route it is 1,121 miles. The distance between Kansas City and Los Angeles via the Rock Island is 1,759 miles, while by the other shortest route it is 1,807 miles. The distance between Omaha and El Paso via the Rock Island is 1,100 miles, while by the other shortest route it is 1,279 miles. The distance between Omaha and Los Angeles via the Rock Island to El Paso and connecting lines is 1,912 miles, while by the other shortest route it is 1,961 miles. Thus it will be readily seen that the Great Rock Island will become pre-eminent the "straight line," the "short line," the "low altitude line" between Missouri river points and the principal point both west, south and southwest.

James Haney Has Sold Out. James Haney has sold his interest in the Goodland Mercantile company to R. W. Pickering, of Lincoln, Neb. H. A. Bowman retains his stock in the company and will conduct the business in partnership with Mr. Pickering. R. J. Jones will also remain with the firm. Mr. Pickering has been in business in Lincoln. He will remove his family here shortly.

Delegates Elected. J. H. Stewart and A. D. Rummel were elected by the mass convention of people's party voters, which met at the court house Saturday afternoon, as delegates to attend the state conference at Topeka to-day. No instructions were given. Mr. Stewart and Mr. Rummel left for Topeka last night.

Martha Washington Tea. The ladies of the Unruh W. C. T. U. will serve a Martha Washington tea at the home of Mrs. E. F. Murphy on Saturday afternoon, February 22. Everybody is cordially invited. Please bring ten cents for the "treasury of the union."

Advertisements. Following is a list of letters remaining uncollected for in the Goodland post-office:

Ed Hultstrom, W. M. Dill, W. W. Horner. When calling for same parties should say "advertisements."

Notices. Stray cows branded—on left shoulder, on left side, on left hip. Suitable reward for their whereabouts. Notify E. Gardner, Yuma, Colo.

MET DEATH WHILE AT WORK.

George Brinker, a Hostler, Crushed by an Engine Tender.

The Young Man Was Caught Between a Wheel on the Transfer Table and the Step of the Tender, Which Was Being Put Into the Shops.

George Brinker, engine hostler at the round house, was severely crushed while taking an engine tender over the transfer table into the shops Tuesday morning at ten o'clock and died from the effects of the injury Wednesday morning at 12:30.

Engine 946 was being put into the shops for repairs Tuesday morning under the direction of the hostler. The engine proper had been pushed into the shops without accident, and then the force of men started to take the tender across the transfer table. When nearly across, the rails on the table swerved away from the track that led into the shops and young Brinker took hold of the wheel supporting the transfer table at that end to hold the rails in line. As the tender came along pushed by the other men he was caught and crushed between the low hanging step and the wheel of the table.

The young man was taken to his home and Dr. Smith was called, but from the first examination the physician's prognosis was unfavorable.

Aside from giving relief from pain little could be done for the injured boy, and he remained in a semi-conscious condition until he passed away a little after midnight, never recovering from the shock of the accident